

# FSA At Work Across New Mexico - FY 2005

**“The USDA Farm Service Agency delivered nearly \$108 million in federal program payments and loans to New Mexico farmers and ranchers during FY 2005. With only 26 offices throughout the state, 92 permanent employees and 90 locally-elected county committee persons, New Mexico FSA continues to provide personal and professional service to New Mexico’s agricultural communities.”**

*- Rick Lopez, State Executive Director*

## **Commodity Program Payments: \$50.5 million**

***New Mexico producers received substantial monetary support during FY2005 in the form of commodity and price support program payments.***

**\$31,360,951 - Direct and Counter Cyclical Program (DCP)** Direct payments provide income support to producers of eligible commodities based on production history (acreage and yields) and do not depend on the current production choices. Counter-cyclical payments are made when the effective price for eligible commodities is less than the target price.

**\$11,892,827 - Commodity Loans** are available to eligible producers who use stored crops as collateral. The Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) makes loans for eligible commodities and are issued as “non-recourse” or “recourse” depending on the quality and/or moisture content of the commodity.

**\$108,475 - Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC)** offers compensation to dairy producers when domestic milk prices fall below a specified level.

**\$342,187 - Peanut Quota Buyout Program (PQBOP)** paid producers a fair market value for their quota pounds of peanuts to compensate quota holders for loss of value caused by new provisions affecting peanuts.

**\$265,121 - Lamb Meat Assistance Program (LMAAP)** assists producers who suffered financial losses due to a depressed market.

**\$165,729 - Dairy Indemnity Program (DIP)** payments made to dairy producers when a public regulatory agency directs them to remove raw milk from the commercial market because it has been contaminated by pesticides, nuclear radiation or fallout, or toxic substances and chemical residues other than pesticides.

**\$6,369,495- Loan Deficiency Payments (LDPs)** benefit producers who agree to forgo the loan in return for a payment on the eligible commodity. LDP provisions allow compensation when market prices are low, as long as the producer maintains beneficial interest in the commodity.

## **Conservation: \$19.4 million**

***FSA made significant investments toward conserving and improving soil, water, and wildlife resources in New Mexico. The Conservation Reserve Program is the USDA’s single largest, most effective environmental improvements program. New Mexico 2005 conservation investments include:***

**\$19,113,763- Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)** provides financial incentives, cost-share and rental payments to producers who convert highly erodible cropland or environmentally sensitive acreage to long-term vegetative cover.

**\$191,710- Emergency Conservation Program (ECP)** provides emergency funding for farmers and ranchers to rehabilitate farmland damaged by natural disasters and carry out emergency water conservation measures during periods of severe drought.

**\$48,699 - Grassland Reserve Program (GRP)** is a voluntary program designed to conserve vulnerable grasslands from conversion to cropland or other uses and conserve valuable grasslands by helping maintain viable ranching operations.

**\$40,273 - Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)** is a 1-10 year voluntary, locally-led conservation program that provides technical and financial assistance in designated priority areas.

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## ***Disaster Assistance: \$24.3 million***

***From drought to flood, freeze to tornadoes - no production agriculture operation is immune to the effects of natural disasters. New Mexico FSA was financially responsive to New Mexico producers following natural disasters in FY 2005.***

**\$15,789,095- Crop Disaster Assistance programs (CDP)** compensate producers who suffered crop losses due to adverse weather and other natural disasters in FY2001 and FY 2002 .

**\$4,557,644 - Livestock Assistance Program (LAP)** provides assistance for grazing losses in counties suffering from 2001 or 2002 drought conditions.

**\$3,993,579 - Non-Insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP)** provides financial assistance to producers of noninsurable crops when low yields, loss of inventory, or prevented planting occurs due to natural disasters.

## ***Farm Loans: \$13.8 million***

***FSA obligated \$13,783,000 in direct and guaranteed operating loans, farm ownership loans, emergency loans and youth loans to eligible New Mexico farmers and ranchers who manage family-sized operations and who were temporarily unable to obtain private or commercial credit.***

**\$9,460,000 - Guaranteed Loan Program.** FSA guarantees loans made by conventional agricultural lenders for up to 95% of any loss. In FY 2005, FSA guaranteed 18 farm ownership loans and 30 operating loans.

**\$4,323,000 - Direct Loan Program.** FSA provides assistance to those unable to obtain guaranteed loans. In FY 2005, FSA funded 5 farm ownership loans and 78 operating loans that included 11 youth loans and 25 direct loans to beginning farmers.

## **New Mexico FSA Program Payments by County**

Does not include farm loans, commodity loans, or adjustments from previous programs.

Bernalillo	\$ 230,142	McKinley	\$ 228,285
Catron	\$ 457,852	Mora	\$ 557,643
Chaves	\$ 4,199,110	Otero	\$ 178,268
Cibola	\$ 88,263	Quay	\$ 9,039,755
Colfax	\$ 706,298	Rio Arriba	\$ 1,092,498
Curry	\$19,125,335	Roosevelt	\$16,712,925
De Baca	\$ 626,670	San Juan	\$ 1,597,858
Dofia Ana	\$ 2,721,866	San Miguel	\$ 483,056
Eddy	\$ 3,246,489	Sandoval	\$ 83,846
Grant	\$ 170,080	Santa Fe	\$ 206,905
Guadalupe	\$ 594,847	Sierra	\$ 275,556
Harding	\$ 1,188,850	Socorro	\$ 957,558
Hidalgo	\$ 1,210,710	Taos	\$ 580,600
Lea	\$ 8,259,538	Torrance	\$ 1,607,744
Lincoln	\$ 215,972	Union	\$ 3,817,032
Luna	\$ 2,202,522	Valencia	\$ 171,007

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